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Of Special Interest This Week

+ At the request of the Deputy Director of INR, FBIS bureaus provided worldwide reaction to reports of hostage negotiations between the U.S. and Iran. INR requested the material to prepare a special report for Secretary Shultz. This followed earlier FBIS reporting of Iran's initial announcement of the MFarlane trip and related events.

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+ The Langley satellite dish was used to provide analysts with live coverage of several significant events. On 6 and 7 November, Moscow television carried live coverage of the annual events marking the anniversary of the Soviet Revolution, including the 6 November ceremony addressed by Politburo member Ligachev and the 7 November military parade addressed by First Deputy Defense Minister Lushev. On 8 November, the dish provided live coverage of celebrations in Nicaragua marking the anniversary of the FSLN party, featuring a speech by President Daniel Ortega and a full military parade showing the latest equipment received from the Soviet Union.

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+ The local Nicosia communist paper has begun a propaganda campaign against the FBIS bureau in Cyprus, calling it a "spy station." A Cypriot Government spokesman has responded to the campaign with a low-key statement on the FBIS mission, citing FBIS' presence on the island for many years.

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+ In response to a request from Governor Charles Robb, relayed from the Director of Public Affairs, FBIS searched Soviet media for reporting on Governor Robb's speech in Latvia in September. A copy of a report on the speech in a Latvian newspaper was translated and forwarded to Public Affairs.

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